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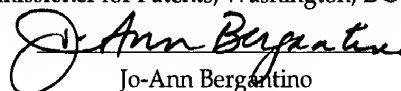
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Title:	Mixed Backbone Oligonucleotides Containing POPS Blocks to Obtain Reduced Phosphorothioate Content		

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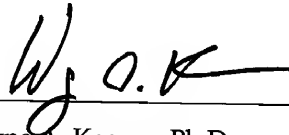
Dear Commissioner for Patents:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Patent Examiner mailed June 29, 2000, finally rejecting claims 4-6, a response to which is enclosed herewith.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0219 the required fee of \$ 155.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (b), reflecting the Small Entity Status of the application.

No other fees are believed to be due. However, please charge any fees or apply any credits to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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